



TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 5, 1895.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.

The House of Representatives will assemble tomorrow, but it is believed that nothing will be done further than to adjourn until next Monday or Tuesday. At that time the announcement of the committee by Speaker Reed is expected, despite a story circulated today that up to yesterday he had not put a single name to paper. Speaker Reed in his characteristic way remarked: "If anybody tells you that he knows what I am going to do about the committee, or any of them, you can safely tell him he is a liar. And if a suit for defamation of character should ensue therefrom, I will testify in behalf of the defense."

The republicans will hold a caucus immediately after the Senate adjourns this afternoon. Mr. Sherman has made up his committee to fill the Senate committee vacancies and will submit it to the caucus. It is believed to be satisfactory to both factions. The "radicals" do not hesitate to say that if it is not they will overthrow it and substitute men of their own choice for such as may be objectionable to them.

The republican caucus adjourned in 15 minutes. Mr. Sherman, chairman, named the following to fill the vacancies in committees: Messrs. Mitchell, Oregon; Teller, Colorado; Culum, Illinois; Platt, Connecticut; Quay, Pennsylvania; Chandler, New Hampshire; Pettigrew, South Dakota; Gear, Iowa; Pritchard, North Carolina. This committee was accepted by the caucus unanimously. The financial factions are equally divided. Messrs. Mitchell, Teller, Pettigrew and Pritchard being silver men and Culum, Platt, Quay and Gear, anti. Mr. Chandler being a pronounced bimetallic and not radical on either side, preserved the political equilibrium of the committee. Mr. Mitchell is chairman.

Among the bills introduced in the Senate today were: By Mr. Mills, granting pensions to all widows of Mexican soldiers at the rate of \$12 a month when such widows are destitute of the means of support. By Mr. Call, to punish railroad corporations attempting to control elections by the use of money or other means. Mr. Call also introduced a bill compelling all railroad companies to pay employees injured in the line of duty the pay they were receiving at the time of their disability and during the continuance of the disability; the bill also provides that in case of death the railroad company shall pay to the widow of such employee the amount of wages received by her husband per month during her natural life, and to the children until they reach the age of sixteen years. By Mr. Mills, a bill providing for the coinage of the silver dollar now in the Treasury into half-dollars, quarter-dollars and dimes. Whenever the revenues are inefficient to meet expenditures the Secretary is required to issue non-interest bearing legal tender treasury notes to cover the deficiency. When the notes shall be restored to the treasury in payment of government dues they are to be destroyed. Whenever the gold reserve shall be in excess of \$100,000,000 and legal tender notes are presented for redemption in coin, the Secretary of the Treasury shall redeem them in either gold or standard silver coins at his discretion. When the reserve is less than \$100,000,000, the Secretary is directed and required to redeem the same in standard silver coins of the government. All loans which authorize the sale of interest-bearing bonds of the government for any purpose are repealed by the last section of this act.

The matter of the contract for the two battle ships turns upon the comparison of the department plans with those of the Cramps. If the former shall be selected by the board, the Newport News Company, being the lowest bidder for the two ships of the department's plan, will get the contract.

The doorkeeper of the House, Mr. Glenn, is out of the city, in New York, and is doubtless glad of it, as he is too far away to hear the cry of the hungry office seekers. His private secretary informed a Virginia republican today that no changes in the offices would take place at present. He further stated that Speaker Reed had asked in the interest of the orderly and efficient conduct of House affairs that a period of at least ten days shall elapse before a "cleaning out" be made. He also stated that a large number of the New York congressmen had voluntarily relinquished their claim to any patronage in order that Mr. Glenn might be the better able to satisfy the demands on him from other sections. This, he said, would help a little but the demand was far too great to be met and much disappointment would inevitably result.

There is an impression to the effect that the President leans toward jingoism. Nothing could be more incorrect. There was nothing more objectionable to the President and to his former Secretary of State, Mr. Gresham, than any thing pertaining to jingoism, and the GAZETTE's correspondent is warranted in saying that the President is of the same opinion still, and that Secretary Olney coincides with him entirely.

Mr. Louis Willis, a son of the well-known Col. Murat Willis, of Rappahannock county, Virginia, is an applicant for the clerkship in the House of Representatives, held for the past two years by Mr. George L. Browning, of his county. Mr. Browning is now independent of that position, having shown himself to be adroit and able enough to outwit the jingoism which he observed in the report of the committee on order, style and revision. At 1:30 o'clock the actual work on the new constitution was completed. The convention then took a recess until a later hour when the whole thing was ratified and signed, and the convention adjourned sine die.

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THOUGH the session of Congress has just commenced, the President has declared himself in favor of the "Monroe doctrine;" numerous resolutions and petitions have been introduced in both the Senate and House of Representatives endorsing that doctrine, and several speeches to the same effect have already been made. And yet nothing is plainer than the fact that the other nations of this hemisphere resent the protection of the United States assumed by that doctrine. The doctrine is a humbug. The United States have no more right to interfere in an affair between Venezuela and Nicaragua and England, than either of the former would have to meddle in one between this country and Great Britain. No European country desires to establish monarchical institutions on any part of American soil on which such institutions did not exist prior to the enunciation of the doctrine referred to, which, by the by, has the sanction of no law.

It was impossible for the Governor to ignore the existence of two race tracks in Alexandria county, as they are within a few miles of each other, but why he touches so gingerly upon one, and vents the full force of his indignation upon the other, and why he says winter racing has been, and is, conducted on the latter and not on the former, few are able to tell now, though many may be able to do so hereafter; and that he recommends the repeal of the charter of one, and not that of the other, though he is forced to acknowledge that the tracks differ in no material respect, certainly gives the censorious ground for unfavorable speculation.

THE GOVERNOR's support of the existing election law, with a slight amendment providing that all the ballots be uniform, should be seconded by the legislature. That law, as most unprejudiced people who have voted under it must concede, preserves order at the polls, destroys the use of money at elections, and secures to the illiterate voter, if not too foolish to ask assistance in the preparation of his ballot, a free vote and a fair count. The law is good for the State, and therefore for the democratic party. It should not be amended except in the one particular wisely recommended by the Governor.

ONLY a month ago, Gov. O'Ferrall said no case of lynching had occurred in Virginia during his administration of the State's affairs; but in his message to the legislature yesterday, he said: "With pain and mortification I bring to your attention the frequent taking of human life without due process of law within the borders of our State." So far as remembered, nobody was lynched in Virginia between the dates of the two gubernatorial utterances referred to.

It is probable that Henderson of Iowa will be chairman of the appropriations committee, and Payne of New York, of the ways and means committee. Dingley of Maine will be the leader on the floor and a member of the committee on rivers.

A bill was introduced in the Senate today appropriating two and a half million dollars for a city hall here to be erected in Judiciary Square.

The plot thickens in regard to Southern contested election cases. Col. Lamb of Norfolk, the new chairman of the Virginia republican State committee and the new national committeeman, has had a late interview with the Speaker in which the Virginia election cases were discussed and the point settled that a prompt hearing would be had. Ger. Walker frankly avows his expectation and willingness to serve on the elections committee, which means an aggressive and offensive warfare against the Wall.

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Scandinavian Colonizers.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 5.—A party of land seekers from Michigan, Nebraska and Iowa, numbering 50, passed through here yesterday. They left over the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad for the division of the road between the James and York rivers, in Virginia, where they expect to buy a large area of land. Last week a tract of 2,000 acres was bought by a syndicate for \$50,000, just south of Norfolk, on the line between Virginia and North Carolina, which was turned over to 35 Scandinavian families, who will colonize there.

Severe Storm in England.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—A terrific gale prevailed throughout England and off the coasts this morning. Outward bound vessels were driven back to the ports from which they had sailed and other sailings were postponed until the weather should become more favorable. Many accidents occurred in London through falling chimneys, masonry, signs, shutters, etc. The telegraph wires in the north of England are all prostrated.

A Determined FASTER.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 5.—William J. Murray, father of a leading physician here, died last evening after fasting for forty-seven days. Mr. Murray, who was four score years, determined seven weeks ago not to eat any more food and all efforts to give him food were in vain. He became greatly emaciated towards the last, but did not suffer any pain and his end was quite peaceful.

The Alaska Boundary Dispute.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 5.—It has been learned that the Canadian government has let a contract for the carrying of the mails from Juneau, Alaska, to Forty Mile creek, which is in the territory claimed by the United States, but which Canada claims. This move is taken as an indication of Canada's determination to possess the disputed territory. The mail service will begin December 13.

Price Fight Arranged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Peter Maher and Robert Fitzsimmons were matched this morning to fight to a finish near El Paso, Texas, between February 11 and 15 for \$20,000.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

A snow storm has been in progress in Boston since last night.

Gil Gongojos, the rebel leader, who was recently captured and tried by court-martial, was shot at Matanzas, Cuba, yesterday.

The extensive desk, seating, office furniture and folding bed manufacturing firm of A. H. Andrews & Co., in Chicago, made an assignment today. Liabilities \$500,000.

The new British cruiser Diana was launched at Glasgow today. She is 300 feet long and of 5,600 tons burden. Her indicated horse power is 9,600 and her guaranteed speed is 19 knots. Her hull is of steel and her ram of bronze.

H. H. Merrill and his 16-year old daughter were murdered on the road, six miles west of Ash Springs, Ariz., Tuesday evening and tracks found around the dead bodies indicate that the murderers were Indians.

After laboriously maintaining rates for nearly six months the east bound roads from Chicago are again cutting rates with all their old-time vigor.

The number of overland vessels sailing in the North Pacific Ocean this year is unprecedented in the history of those waters.

Edward Von Kilanyi, the originator of living pictures, died at his room in New York yesterday afternoon of consumption.

John Rosenstein, dealer in dry goods, notions, etc., in Norfolk, Va., assigned today; liabilities \$25,000.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—The Grand Lodge of Masons of Virginia last night elected J. P. Fitzgerald, Grand Master; A. R. Courtney, Deputy Grand Master; R. T. W. Duke, Grand Senior Warden; George W. Wright, Grand Junior Warden, and Frederick W. Pleasant, Grand Treasurer; George W. Carrington, grand secretary; H. O. Kerne, grand senior deacon; E. N. Eubank, grand junior deacon.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Foreign News.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—M. Chellemeil Lacour, president of the Senate, is ill and his condition is regarded as most serious.

MADRID, Dec. 5.—A dispatch from Havana says that in the fighting which took place near Santa Clara yesterday the rebel general Maceo's vanguard lost 29 killed or wounded. It is rumored that Maceo is continuing to advance.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The condition of George Augustus Sala, the well known writer, is reported this morning to be extremely critical.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 5.—Although frequent meetings of the Sultan's cabinet are being held at the palace to discuss the question of the admission of extra guardships through the Dardanelles, no change in the position of the Porte has been made known. Advices say that the missionaries at Marash are not at all apprehensive of further danger, but that the missionaries at Bitlis are in a state of anxiety.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Frank Ern and George Dixon will meet in a ten-round boxing contest in New York to-night.

The republicans of the Senate expect to reorganize the officers and committees of that body next week.

It is said the republicans working in the interest of Speaker Reed have combined to prevent legislation by Congress.

In the Senate yesterday Mr. Voorhees introduced a bill increasing all pensions granted under the act of 1890 to \$12.

A dispatch from Vienna states that quiet is being restored in Turkey and the Sultan will probably give way on the firman question.

Mrs. Alice Edmondson Groome, widow of ex-Gov. James Black Groome, of Maryland, was married in Paris to Mr. Philip Fendall Young, of Philadelphia, yesterday.

The republican Senators have compromised their differences by agreeing that the report of the committee on committees shall be submitted to the full caucus for confirmation.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Petersburg, is to be dedicated December 22. Bishop Keane, of Washington, and Archbishop Keane, of St. Louis, will take part in the dedication exercises.

The reply of the Marquis of Salisbury to the note of Secretary Olney on the Venezuelan question is that Great Britain refuses to submit to arbitration any of the territory within the Schomburg line.

Corbett will not agree to meet Fitzsimmons for the \$20,000 purse offered by Dan Stuart, of Texas. The ultimatum was handed to Stuart in New York last night by William A. Brady, Corbett's manager.

Postmaster O'Donnell, of Pittsburg, has resigned the chairmanship of the democratic city committee on receipt of a letter from W. L. Wilson, Postmaster General, saying, "You will either have to resign that office or the postmaster-ship."

The Virginia court clerks' association, which has been in session in Richmond, adjourned last evening. The body recommended the Legislature to adopt some better means of securing the revenue received by the court clerks.

Belgium has refused to surrender Harry Russell, the postoffice robber, who broke out of the Ludlow street jail, New York, to the United States authorities, and he will, in all probability, never undergo trial in this country for his crimes.

The Empire State express on the New York Central Railroad, after two futile attempts to reduce the running time between New York and Buffalo, succeeded in wiping out all previous records by making the scheduled time 53½ miles per hour, and arriving at Buffalo five minutes ahead of time.

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Dr. John Lafayette Read died at Warrenton Sunday. When an infant several weeks old the Marquis de Lafayette passed through the town of Jefferson, Culpeper county, where the father of Dr. Read lived. He requested Lafayette to name the child. He took it in his arms and asked the name of the father. On being told it was John, he said: "I name the child John Lafayette Read."

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.

SENATE.

During the morning hour in the Senate many bills were introduced and referred to committees, among them one by Mr. Mills to provide for coinage of the silver in the Treasury, and one by Mr. Chandler to provide, in connection with other nations, for the unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of one to 154.

Mr. Dubois offered his resolution to amend the rules so as to divide the appropriation bills among the committees having charge of the general subject; and it was laid on the table to be called up hereafter.

A protest from the legislature of Montana against the issue of government bonds was presented by Mr. Mantle.

Mr. Call offered a resolution which was agreed to calling on the Secretary of State for all the correspondence relating to the trial, conviction, and sentence of Gen. Sangany, an American citizen, for alleged complicity in the war against Spain by Cuba and directing the Secretary to obtain a copy of the record of the trial.

Mr. Gallinger offered a resolution declaring it to be "the sense of the Senate that it is unwise and inexpedient to retire the greenbacks;" and it was referred to the committee on finance.

The resolution offered by Mr. Call for the recognition of the Cuban insurgents and authorizing the President to secure an observance of the laws of war in Cuba, was taken up and Mr. Call addressed the Senate. He described the conduct of the Spanish troops in Cuba as "merciless and in disregard of age, sex and condition."

"The Cubans," he added, "have been acting on the principles which we have declared, and on the advice which we have given to them; and that we should silently permit this war to proceed without a single word of encouragement is not creditable to this government. Spain declared that the Southern Confederacy was a belligerent power, and recognized her, and the English government also recognized the civil war in the South. Why should we not, then, when the Cubans have acted on our example, under our advice, under our instructions, justify their forcible resistance? Why should we allow Spain to purchase supplies in our ports and forbid the same right to the Cubans?"

At the close of Mr. Call's speech the resolution was referred to the committee on foreign relations.

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of executive business, and at 1:35 p. m. adjourned till Monday next.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Miss Margaret Bayley was married in Staunton yesterday to S. P. Nottingham, Jr.

The democratic members of the legislature will hold a joint caucus to-night to nominate State officers.

The oyster cruiser Chesapeake reports that yesterday morning, off York Spit Light, she encountered a school of very large whales.

The large factory and drying house of the Southern-Mend Tobacco Company, at Danville, was gutted by fire yesterday evening. Loss \$18,000.

At its quarterly meeting in Richmond yesterday, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union adopted resolutions denouncing the "New Woman's Bible."

J. T. Trout, receiving teller of the First National Bank of Roanoke, and Miss Helen McComb Imboden, a daughter of the late General J. D. Imboden, were married in that city yesterday.

Mrs. Myrtle Elkins, of Caroline, and Mr. W. S. Hansford, of King George, were married on Tuesday by Rev. C. Hill, Jr., second son of General James C. Hill, railroad commissioner of Virginia. Mr. Hill was thirty-three years of age.

On Friday afternoon last Mrs. Bettie Norris, wife of Mr. Jos. L. Norris, of Leesburg, was unfortunately enough break one of the stilet bones in her right arm by being thrown from her carriage while out driving.

Rev. Dr. Socrates Henkel, of New Market, has tendered his resignation as pastor of Emanuel and Mt. Zion Evangelical Lutheran churches, to take effect January 1st, 1896. He severs his connection because of failing health.

A telegram received in Richmond yesterday announced the sudden death, in the City of Mexico, of Mr. James C. Hill, Jr., second son of General James C. Hill, railroad commissioner of Virginia. Mr. Hill was thirty-three years of age.

Robt. Strother, a colored boy fourteen years old, who lived with his grandmother at Casanova, is now in the jail in Warrenton charged with attempting to wreck a train at Casanova on the 5th of September and again on the 27th of November.

The only case heard in the Court of Appeals at Richmond yesterday was that of Munford's trustee vs. McVeigh's administrator, which was argued by B. B. Munford and Judge W. R. Staples for appellant and John M. Johnson for appellee, and continued until today.

Senator Hill, of New York, arrived at Fort Monroe yesterday from the northwest. Upon being advised of Judge Peckham's nomination to the United States Supreme bench, he immediately replied: "The nomination is an excellent one and will be confirmed."

The Staunton Spectator newspaper, published for seventy-two years, was sold at auction yesterday, Col. R. S. Turk, an attorney, being the purchaser. It is not known that Col. Turk will run a paper. Richard Maury has been editor and proprietor of the Spectator for thirty-five years.

P. N. Powell, the head of the grocery house of P. N. Powell & Son, of Staunton, died yesterday of blood poisoning, superinduced by kidney disease. He had been sick only five days. Mr. Powell was the oldest merchant in Staunton. He was born in Prince William county in 1825.

When the democrats give up the patronage of the Senate they do so for at least ten years. Under the most favorable circumstances they cannot get a majority in the Senate inside that time.

The Southern Planter for December has been received from its publishers in Richmond.

Good advice: Never leave home on a journey without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For sale by L. Stabler & Co., druggists.

OFFICIAL.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reorganize chapter nine of the laws of the city of Alexandria, 1874.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Alexandria, That the Committee on Streets shall exercise a joint supervision over the streets, lanes, alleys and sewers in the city of Alexandria, and the like, and all matters connected therewith and over the City Engineer, whose directions shall be observed by the said engineer in all matters relating to his duties.

Section 2. If any person shall think himself aggrieved by the determination of the City Engineer respecting the duties and powers of his office, the said engineer shall consult and be governed by the Committee on Streets. Any person aggrieved by the action of the said City Engineer of the Committee on Streets may appeal to the City Council at its next meeting. Pending such appeal any work which may be the subject of complaint shall be suspended if in the opinion of the said committee, it can be done without public inconvenience.

Section 3. The City Engineer shall keep the streets, lanes and gutters properly cleaned in such manner by contract or otherwise as the City Council may from time to time direct. He shall give information to the Mayor of the city of Alexandria of all obstructions and impediments in the streets, lanes and alleys and the names of the offenders in order that the person or persons causing said obstructions and impediments may be prosecuted and punished therefor.

Section 4. For the purpose of the removal of nuisances the City Engineer may employ at the expense of the City Council of Alexandria as many men, horses and carts as he shall from time to time deem requisite for the immediate removal thereof. He shall inspect all carts, wagons and other carriages employed within the city for the conveyance of coal, sand, dirt, manure or other material and see that they be so tight as not to scatter their loadings along the streets, lanes and alleys. If any cart or other carriage so employed shall be adjudged by him unfit for such employment he shall inform the owner or driver thereof, and if such cart or carriage shall thereafter be so employed without being duly repaired the owner shall forfeit to the City one dollar for every day it may be so employed.

Section 5. The City Engineer shall at no time employ directly or indirectly in the public service his own car, horse or any cart or horse in which he may have an interest, under the penalty of five dollars. Nor shall he be concerned in making any report or contracts where he is directly or indirectly concerned in the profits arising from such contracts either in furnishing labor or any article or articles whatsoever for carrying on or completing said work or contract under penalty of double the amount of any such contract.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the City Engineer to have the public work done by contract as often as is practicable, for which purpose he shall divide it into as many denominations as the work to be performed will admit of and advertise the same in the public papers a reasonable time, and the person whose offer is the lowest shall always be entitled to the preference, provided he shall give sufficient security for the faithful performance of the work.

Section 7. The City Engineer shall see to the faithful execution of all contracts made by him on account of the City Council of Alexandria and in case of neglect on the part of the contractor or contractors he shall proceed to do what shall have been so neglected and recover the expense thereof from the said contractor or contractors, provided he shall have first given him or them twelve hours previous notice of what was necessary to be done.

Section 8. The City Engineer shall keep a book in which he shall enter the names of all laborers and horses and carts employed by him, together with the number of days which they are employed in each week, their daily pay, and shall on the afternoon of every Saturday make out and subscribe the proceedings of the week in the following form:

Number.	Name.	Employment.	(Saturday.)	(Monday.)	(Tuesday.)	(Wednesday.)	(Thursday.)	(Friday.)	Total No. of days.	Daily pay.	Amount paid.	Number.	Signature.	Witnessed.

Which said account subscribed by the City Engineer and a similar one for carts and horses shall be delivered to the Auditor in duplicate. The Auditor shall draw his warrant payable to the City Treasurer for the amounts due, and deposit said warrant, together with the said account, with the City Treasurer. The City Treasurer shall pay to the laborers and for the carts and horses as shown upon the accounts subscribed by the City Engineer and shall take receipts for the said payment, and the said City Engineer shall at the expiration of each year deposit in the hands of the Auditor, the original book so kept by him to remain in the hands for the inspection of the City Council.

Section 9. The City Engineer shall superintend the regulating, paving and repairing of such streets and alleys as the City Council shall direct to be paved and repaired, the cutting and making of such bridges as may be necessary; the making and repairing of sewers; the erecting and repairing of pumps and sinking wells, and may contract for or purchase all necessary materials for these purposes and employ as many laborers, workmen and overseers as he shall think sufficient to perform the same and may do all lawful acts for carrying into effect the purposes aforesaid.

Section 10. The City Engineer shall not make any regulations in the streets or elsewhere for the use of the public or private property of the same shall have been specially designated by law or by power of the City Council, but this section shall not be construed so as to restrain him from the expenditure of sums not exceeding twenty dollars for the removal of nuisances.

Section 11. The City Engineer shall have power and is hereby empowered to organize such persons as are confined from time to time within the city jail or workhouses, and out their respective periods of punishment for offences against the ordinances of the city of Alexandria or the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia into a chain gang, in accordance with the provisions of section 3932 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887.

Section 12. The City Engineer is authorized to select a competent and suitable person to take charge of and direct the labor or work of the chain gang, and who for such duty shall receive a sum not exceeding two dollars per day for every day so employed, and such person shall be styled the Captain of the Chain Gang, and his appointment shall be referred by the City Engineer to the City Council for confirmation and he shall before entering upon the duties of Captain of the Chain Gang take the usual oath of office and give a bond, with approved security, in the sum of five hundred dollars for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office. The Captain of the Chain Gang shall be subject to the orders of the City Engineer, and the City Engineer shall have power to remove the

Captain of the Chain Gang from office for good and sufficient reasons expressed in a written communication to the City Council.

Section 13. The chain gang shall be employed in cleaning, opening and repairing the streets, or such work as may be directed by the City Engineer, and while at work shall be required to perform its duty in a quiet and orderly manner, and in passing to and from the jail and workhouse to work it shall be the duty of the captain to call to his assistance the police when needed and to prevent bystanders from making irritating and reproachful remarks to any of the members of the chain gang.

Section 14. If the City Engineer shall neglect or refuse to cause to be executed any ordinance of the City Council, which it shall be his duty to so execute, or shall fail to comply with the instructions of the Committee on Streets, or shall neglect or refuse to perform any other official duty, he shall forfeit and pay a fine of fifty dollars for the use of the City Council, to be recoverable before the Mayor of the city of Alexandria.

Section 15. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 16. This ordinance shall be in force from its passage.

Passed Common Council Nov. 26, 1895.

HUBERT SNOWDEN, President.

Passed Board of Aldermen Nov. 26, 1895.

W. H. MACGURKY